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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

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20. (Currently Amended) The improved roof truss of claim 17 further comprising a strap, located at the intersection of the bottom plate and an interior partition wall, ~~comprising a planar member positioned~~ said strap passing between, and extending beyond, the bottom plate and the bottom chord, wherein said planar member may be fastened to the interior partition wall. wherein fasteners can be driven through the planar member on either side of the bottom plate so as to attach the bottom plate to the interior partition wall.
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